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MARGARINE PRODUCTION
 February 1948

The amount of margarine produced in the United States during February 1948 was 79,745,000 pounds, as shown by compilation of reports received from all margarine manufacturers.

February 1948 production was 12,386,000 pounds more than that of February 1947 and 22,940,000 pounds more than the February average for the 5 years, 1943-47.

Of the total amount produced 77,905,000 pounds, or 98 percent, were manufactured from vegetable oils only and 1,840,000 pounds or 2 percent, from animal and vegetable oils. Coloring was added to 8 percent, or 6,403,000 pounds of the margarine produced leaving 73,342,000 pounds uncolored.

Date	Production of margarine containing				Total	
	Animal and		Vegetable oils			
	vegetable oils		Uncolored	Colored		
- Thousands of pounds -						
February 1948....:	1,787	:	53	: 71,555	6,350 : 79,745	
February 1947....:	1,898	:	51	: 62,356	3,054 : 67,359	
February 5-yr. average 1943-47:	3,053	:	487	: 46,380	6,885 : 56,805	
1947						
March.....:	2,068	:	30	: 62,724	4,596 : 69,468	
April.....:	1,024	:	33	: 40,015	5,149 : 46,221	
May.....:	1,283	:	35	: 31,490	4,245 : 37,053	
June.....:	1,215	:	44	: 37,182	2,519 : 40,960	
July.....:	1,379	:	16	: 43,298	3,929 : 48,622	
August.....:	1,379	:	63	: 44,260	3,325 : 49,027	
September.....:	2,138	:	68	: 59,834	4,622 : 66,662	
October.....:	2,418	:	87	: 77,687	6,001 : 86,193	
November.....:	1,727	:	7	: 70,107	8,976 : 80,817	
December.....:	2,032	:	72	: 70,109	6,244 : 78,457	
1948						
January.....:	2,320	:	100	: 77,731	7,621 : 87,772	
Yearly Totals						
Total 1947.....:	20,919	:	654	: 661,411	55,725 : 738,709	
Total 1946.....:	16,321	:	1,533	: 498,419	56,379 : 572,652	
Total 1945.....:	24,438	:	9,540	: 490,881	89,124 : 613,983	
Total 1944.....:	33,875	:	10,654	: 446,312	92,925 : 583,766	
Total 1943.....:	45,765	:	7,957	: 447,883	108,526 : 610,131	

